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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Atsushi MIYAWAKI

Serial No. : 10/718,884

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For : ILLUMINATION APPARATUS FOR
MICROSCOPE AND IMAGE
PROCESSING APPARATUS USING
THE SAME

Art Unit : 2872

Examiner : Mark A. Robinson

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AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

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This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request
for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action
mailed February 28, 2006 the term for response to which expires
on May 28, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-5, 7-13,
15-21, 23-25, 27, 29-31, 33 and 34 are canceled; claims 6, 14,
22, 26, 28 and 32 are amended; and claims 35 and 36 are added.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.